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1. Organizational and procedural matters

Date and venue of the session

1. In accordance with its annual programme of work, as considered on 7 December 2015 at the organizational session for the tenth cycle of the Human Rights Council, the Council will hold its thirty-third session from 13 to 30 September 2016 at the United Nations Office at Geneva.

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2. In accordance with rule 8 (b) of the rules of procedure of the Human Rights Council (see sect. VII of the annex to Council resolution 5/1), the organizational meeting for the thirty-third session will be held on 29 August 2016.

Agenda of the session

3. The agenda of the Human Rights Council is contained in section V of the annex to Council resolution 5/1. The Council will have before it the present annotations relating to items included in the agenda for the thirty-third session.

Composition of the Human Rights Council

4. The composition of the Human Rights Council at its thirty-third session is as follows: Albania (2017), Algeria (2016), Bangladesh (2017), Belgium (2018), Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2017), Botswana (2017), Burundi (2018), China (2016), Congo (2017), Côte d'Ivoire (2018), Cuba (2016), Ecuador (2018), El Salvador (2017), Ethiopia (2018), France (2016), Georgia (2018), Germany (2018), Ghana (2017), India (2017), Indonesia (2017), Kenya (2018), Kyrgyzstan (2018), Latvia (2017), Maldives (2016), Mexico (2016), Mongolia (2018), Morocco (2016), Namibia (2016), Netherlands (2017), Nigeria (2017), Panama (2018), Paraguay (2017), Philippines (2018), Portugal (2017), Qatar (2017), Republic of Korea (2018), Russian Federation (2016), Saudi Arabia (2016), Slovenia (2018), South Africa (2016), Switzerland (2018), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (2016), Togo (2018), United Arab Emirates (2018), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2016), Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (2018) and Viet Nam (2016).

Bureau of the Human Rights Council

5. At its organizational session held on 7 December 2015, the Human Rights Council elected the following to the Bureau for its tenth cycle, which will run from 1 January to 31 December 2016:

President	Choi Kyong-lim (Republic of Korea)
Vice-Presidents	Jānis Kārkliņš (Latvia)
	Ramón Alberto Morales Quijano (Panama)
	Negash Kebret Botora (Ethiopia)
Vice-President and Rapporteur	Bertrand de Crombrugghe (Belgium)

Selection and appointment of mandate holders

6. In accordance with paragraph 47 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1 and the requirements set out in Council decision 6/102, the consultative group composed of Amr Ramadan (Egypt), Thani Thongphakdi (Thailand), Regina Maria Cordeiro Dunlop (Brazil), Elisabeth Laurin (France) and Filloreta Kodra (Albania) will propose to the President of the Council a list of candidates for the following mandates: the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons, the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, and a member of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention from the Group of Eastern European States.

7. In accordance with the procedure stipulated in paragraphs 52 and 53 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, the appointment of special procedure mandate holders will be completed upon subsequent approval by the Council. The mandate holders in question will be appointed before the end of the thirty-third session.

Election of members of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee

8. At its seventh session, the Human Rights Council conducted the first elections of the 18 members of the Advisory Committee. Four members were elected for a one-year term, seven for a two-year term and seven for a three-year term.

9. At its twenty-fourth session, the Human Rights Council elected six members of the Advisory Committee for three-year terms and, at its twenty-fifth session, it elected one member, also for a three-year term. Pursuant to Council decision 18/121, the term of office of the seven members will end on 30 September 2016.

10. At its thirty-third session, the Human Rights Council will elect Advisory Committee members for the seven vacant seats. Of the seven vacancies, two are to be filled by representatives of the Group of African States, two by representatives of the Group of Asia-Pacific States, one by a representative of the Group of Eastern European States, one by a representative of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and one by a representative of the Group of Western European and other States.

11. Paragraph 70 of the annex to resolution 5/1 provides that the Human Rights Council shall elect the members of the Advisory Committee, in secret ballot, from the list of candidates whose names have been presented in accordance with the agreed requirements.

12. Pursuant to paragraph 67 of the annex to resolution 5/1, the Human Rights Council adopted decision 6/102 containing technical and objective requirements for the submission of candidatures for members of the Advisory Committee with the aim of ensuring that the best possible expertise is made available to the Council.

13. In accordance with paragraph 71 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, the list of candidates for the seven vacant seats and relevant information have been made available to Member States and to the public in a note by the Secretary-General (A/HRC/33/3).

Report of the session

14. At the end of its session, the Human Rights Council will have before it for adoption a draft report prepared by the Rapporteur. The report will contain a technical summary of the proceedings of the thirty-third session.

2. Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and reports of the Office of the High Commissioner and the Secretary-General

15. All reports of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Office of the High Commissioner (OHCHR) and the Secretary-General are submitted under agenda item 2, which remains an open-ended item throughout the session. The reports will be considered under the relevant agenda items, as appropriate. The specific time of their introduction will be reflected in the programme of work.

Composition of staff of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

16. Pursuant to its resolution 28/1, the Human Rights Council will consider the comprehensive and updated report of the High Commissioner with a special focus on

further measures taken to correct the imbalance in the geographical composition of the staff of OHCHR, including targets and timetables and other specific actions (A/HRC/33/18).

Cooperation with the United Nations, its representatives and mechanisms in the field of human rights

17. In its resolution 12/2, the Human Rights Council invited the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Council at its fourteenth session, and annually thereafter, containing a compilation and analysis of any available information, from all appropriate sources, on alleged reprisals against those who seek to cooperate or have cooperated with the United Nations, its representatives and mechanisms, as well as recommendations on how to address the issues of intimidation and reprisals. The Council will consider the report of the Secretary-General (A/HRC/33/19) (see para. 71 below).

Question of the death penalty

18. In its decision 18/117, the Human Rights Council requested the Secretary-General to continue to submit a yearly supplement to his quinquennial report on capital punishment and the implementation of the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty, paying special attention to the imposition of the death penalty on persons younger than 18 years of age at the time of the offence, on pregnant women and on persons with mental or intellectual disabilities. In its resolution 22/11, the Council decided that the yearly supplement to the quinquennial report of the Secretary-General on the question of the death penalty will continue to contain information on the human rights of children of parents sentenced to death or executed. The Council will have before it the yearly supplement thereon (A/HRC/33/20) (see also para. 48 below).

Commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Right to Development

19. Pursuant to its resolution 31/4, the Council will have before it the summary report of the High Commissioner on the panel discussion on the promotion and protection of the right to development as part of the celebrations of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Right to Development, held at its thirty-second session (A/HRC/33/21) (see para. 53 below).

Birth registration and the right of everyone to recognition everywhere as a person before the law

20. In its resolution 28/13, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to identify and actively pursue opportunities to collaborate with the United Nations Statistics Division and other relevant United Nations agencies, funds and bodies, as well as other relevant stakeholders, in order to strengthen existing policies and programmes aimed at universal birth registration and vital statistics development, and to ensure that they are based on international standards, taking into account best practices, and are implemented in accordance with relevant international human rights obligations, and requested the High Commissioner to prepare a report on efforts made in that regard and to submit it to the Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/22) (see para. 50 below).

Preventable mortality and morbidity of children under 5 years of age as a human rights concern

21. In its resolution 27/14, the Council requested the High Commissioner, in close collaboration with the World Health Organization and in consultation with States, relevant United Nations agencies, including the United Nations Children's Fund and the Joint

United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS, as well as the special procedures mandate holders, human rights mechanisms, regional organizations and civil society, to prepare a report on the practical application of technical guidance on the application of a human rights-based approach to the implementation of policies and programmes to reduce and eliminate preventable mortality and morbidity of children under 5 years of age,[1] and its impact on the development and implementation of policies and programmes in States to reduce preventable mortality and morbidity of children under 5 years of age, and to present it to the Human Rights Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/23) (see para. 61 below).

Preventable maternal mortality and morbidity and human rights

22. Pursuant to its resolution 27/11, the Human Rights Council will consider the follow-up report of the High Commissioner on how the technical guidance on the application of a human rights-based approach to the implementation of policies and programmes to reduce preventable maternal mortality and morbidity[2] has been applied by States and other relevant actors (A/HRC/33/24) (see para. 62 below).

Rights of indigenous peoples

23. In its resolution 30/4, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to continue to submit to the Council an annual report on the rights of indigenous peoples containing information on relevant developments in human rights bodies and mechanisms and the activities undertaken by OHCHR at headquarters and in the field that contribute to the promotion of, respect for and the full application of the provisions of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and follow-up on the effectiveness of the Declaration. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/27) (see paras. 57 and 72-76 below).

Protection of migrants

24. In its resolution 70/147, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly and the Human Rights Council at their seventy-first and thirty-third sessions, respectively, a comprehensive report entitled "Human rights of migrants", covering all aspects of the implementation of that resolution. The Council will consider the report of the Secretary-General (A/HRC/33/30) (see para. 64 below).

Right to development

25. In its resolution 30/28, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to continue to submit to the Council an annual report on its activities, including on inter-agency coordination within the United Nations system, that have direct relevance to the promotion and the realization of the right to development. In its resolution 70/155, the General Assembly reaffirmed its request to the High Commissioner, in mainstreaming the right to development, to effectively undertake activities aimed at strengthening the global partnership for development among Member States, development agencies and the international development, financial and trade institutions and to reflect those activities in detail in his next report to the Council. In the same resolution, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit an interim report to the Council on the implementation of that resolution, including efforts undertaken at the national, regional and international levels in the promotion and realization of the right to development. The Council will consider the

[1] A/HRC/27/31.
[2] A/HRC/27/20.

report of the Secretary-General and the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/31) (see para. 52 below).

Protection of the human rights of migrants: strengthening the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants, including in large movements

26. In its resolution 32/14, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to submit before its thirty-third session a report on the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants in the context of large movements, in consultation with States and other relevant stakeholders, including regional organizations, civil society organizations and national human rights institutions. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/67) (see para. 63 below).

Equal participation in political and public affairs

27. In its resolution 30/9, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to organize, prior to its thirty-second session, an expert workshop to discuss the existing guidance on the implementation of the right to participate in public affairs with the aim of identifying possible gaps and making recommendations in that regard, as well as new developments, trends and innovations with respect to full, effective and equal participation in political and public affairs, and to submit a summary report on the workshop to the Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the summary report on the workshop, which was held on 18 May 2016 (A/HRC/33/25) (see para. 49 below).

Human rights and preventing and countering violent extremism

28. In its resolution 30/15, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to prepare a compilation report on best practices and lessons learned on how protecting and promoting human rights contribute to preventing and countering violent extremism by its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the compilation report of OHCHR (A/HRC/33/29) (see para. 69 below).

29. Pursuant to the same resolution, the Council will have before it the summary report of OHCHR on the panel discussion on the human rights dimensions of preventing and countering violent extremism held during its thirty-first session (A/HRC/33/28) (see para. 69 below).

High-level panel discussion on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Human Rights Council

30. Pursuant to its decision 31/115, the Human Rights Council will have before it the summary report of OHCHR on the high-level panel discussion on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Council, focused on its achievements and challenges, held during its thirty-second session (A/HRC/33/26).

National institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights

31. In its resolution 27/18, the Human Rights Council requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its thirty-third session, a report on the implementation of that resolution. The Council will consider the report of the Secretary-General (A/HCR/33/33) (see para. 89 below).

32. Pursuant to the same resolution, the Human Rights Council will consider the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions in accrediting national institutions in compliance with the principles relating to the status of national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (the Paris Principles) (A/HRC/33/34 and Add.1) (see para. 90 below).

Accelerating efforts to eliminate violence against women: preventing and responding to violence against women and girls, including indigenous women and girls

33. In its resolution 32/19, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to present a summary report on the panel discussion on violence against indigenous women and girls and its root causes, held during the annual full-day discussion on women's human rights, at its thirty-second session. The Council will have before it the report of OHCHR (A/HRC/33/68) (see para. 55 below).

Advisory services and technical assistance for Cambodia

34. In its resolution 30/23, the Human Rights Council requested the Secretary-General to report to the Council at its thirty-third and thirty-sixth sessions on the role and achievements of OHCHR in assisting the Government and the people of Cambodia in the promotion and protection of human rights. The Council will consider the report of the Secretary-General (A/HRC/33/39) (see para. 93 below).

Technical assistance and capacity-building for Yemen in the field of human rights

35. In its resolution 30/18, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to present to the Council, at its thirty-third session, a written report on the development and implementation of that resolution. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/38) (see para. 94 below).

Technical assistance and capacity-building for human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

36. In its resolution 30/26, the Human Rights Council invited the High Commissioner to report to the Council at its thirty-third session on the human rights situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and called for an interactive dialogue to be held on the basis of the report, including a discussion on strengthening the role of women in the electoral process. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/33/36) (see para. 95 below).

National policies and human rights

37. In its resolution 30/24, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to organize, prior to its thirty-second session, an expert workshop to discuss effective, inclusive and participatory mechanisms and methodologies to mainstream human rights in the formulation and implementation of public policies, and to prepare a summary report on the workshop, including any recommendations stemming therefrom, and to submit it to the Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the matter (A/HRC/33/35) (see para. 96 below).

Technical assistance and capacity-building to improve human rights in Libya

38. In its resolution 31/27, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to continue its close engagement with the United Nations Support Mission in Libya in order to provide coordinated human rights technical assistance to the Government of Libya. It also requested the High Commissioner to present an oral update to the Council at its thirty-third session during an interactive dialogue, with the participation of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Libya, on the situation of human rights in Libya, including steps taken by the Government of Libya towards ensuring accountability for human rights violations and abuses, and the contribution and effectiveness of technical assistance to that end. Accordingly, the High Commissioner will present an oral update to the Council (see para. 97 below).

Cooperation and assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights

39. In its resolution 32/29, the Human Rights Council invited the High Commissioner to continue to present orally to the States Members of the Council and observers the findings of each of the reports of OHCHR on the situation of human rights in Ukraine, as part of the interactive dialogues, until the thirty-fifth session of the Council. The Council will hear the oral presentation of the High Commissioner (see para. 103 below).

Technical cooperation and capacity-building for Burundi in the field of human rights

40. Pursuant to its resolution 30/27, the Human Rights Council will hear the update of High Commissioner on the implementation of that resolution in an interactive dialogue (see para. 98 below).

41. In its resolution S-24/1, the Human Rights Council decided to enhance the above-mentioned interactive dialogue so as to include the participation of, inter alia, representatives of the African Union, the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, civil society and relevant special procedures, and requested the High Commissioner to urgently organize and dispatch a mission by existing independent experts to, inter alia, undertake an investigation with a view to preventing further deterioration of the human rights situation in Burundi, and to submit a final report at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the final report of the mission of the independent experts in an enhanced interactive dialogue (A/HRC/33/37) (see para. 99 below).

3. Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to development

Economic, social and cultural rights

Environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes

42. In its resolution 27/23, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes for a period of three years. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Baskut Tuncak (A/HRC/33/41 and Add.1-2).

Access to safe drinking water and sanitation

43. In its resolution 24/18, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation and requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to report to the Council on an annual basis. The Council will consider the report of the new mandate holder, Léo Heller (A/HRC/33/49 and Add.1-3).

Civil and political rights

Contemporary forms of slavery

44. In its resolution 24/3, the Human Rights Council decided to renew the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences, for a period of three years, and that the Special Rapporteur should examine and report on all contemporary forms of slavery and slavery-like practices, but in particular those defined in the Slavery Convention of 1926 and the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery of 1956. In the same resolution, the Council requested the Special Rapporteur to submit to it

annual reports, together with recommendations on measures that should be taken to combat and eradicate contemporary forms of slavery and slavery-like practices and to protect the human rights of victims of such practices. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Urmila Bhoola (A/HRC/33/46 and Add.1).

Truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence

45. In its resolution 27/3, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence for a period of three years with the same terms as provided for by the Council in its resolution 18/7, and requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to report annually to the Council and the General Assembly. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Pablo de Greiff (A/HRC/33/47 and Add.1).

Arbitrary detention

46. In its resolution 24/7, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention for a further period of three years, in accordance with Council resolution 6/4. The Council will consider the report of the Working Group (A/HRC/33/50 and Add.1).

Enforced or involuntary disappearances

47. In its resolution 27/1, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances for a period of three years, in conformity with the terms set forth in Council resolution 7/12. The Council will consider the report of the Working Group (A/HRC/33/51 and Add.1-4).

Question of the death penalty

48. Reference is made to the yearly supplement of the Secretary-General to his quinquennial report on the question of the death penalty (A/HRC/33/20) (see para. 18 above).

Equal participation in political and public affairs

49. Reference is made to the summary report of OHCHR on the expert workshop to discuss the existing guidance on the implementation of the right to participate in public affairs, held on 18 May 2016 (A/HRC/33/25) (see para. 27 above).

Birth registration and the right of everyone to recognition everywhere as a person before the law

50. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on efforts made to identify and actively pursue opportunities to strengthen existing policies and programmes aimed at universal birth registration and vital statistics development (A/HRC/33/22) (see para. 20 above).

Right to development

51. In its resolution 9/3, the Human Rights Council decided that the Working Group on the Right to Development should convene annual sessions of five working days and submit its reports to the Council. The Council will have before it the report of the Working Group on its seventeenth session, held from 25 April to 3 May 2016 (A/HRC/33/45).

52. Reference is made to the report of the Secretary-General and the High Commissioner on the right to development (A/HRC/33/31) (see para. 25 above).

53. Reference is also made to the summary report of the High Commissioner on the panel discussion on the promotion and protection of the right to development as part of the celebrations of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Right to Development (A/HRC/33/21) (see para. 19 above).

Rights of peoples, and of specific groups and individuals

Youth and human rights

54. In its resolution 32/1, the Human Rights Council decided to convene at its thirty-third session a panel discussion on the theme "Youth and human rights", with the objective of identifying challenges, best practices and lessons learned in the exercise of human rights by young people, as well as relevant opportunities for the empowerment of youth in the exercise of their rights, and requested the High Commissioner to liaise with States and all stakeholders, including relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes, the treaty bodies, the special procedures of the Council, national human rights institutions and civil society, including representatives of youth organizations, with a view to ensuring their participation in the panel discussion (see annex).

Accelerating efforts to eliminate violence against women: preventing and responding to violence against women and girls, including indigenous women and girls

55. Reference is made to the summary report of OHCHR on the panel discussion on violence against women and girls, held at its thirty-second session (A/HRC/33/68) (see para. 33 above).

Human rights of indigenous peoples

56. Pursuant to its resolutions 18/8 and 30/4, the Human Rights Council will hold a half-day panel discussion on the causes and consequences of violence against indigenous women and girls, including those with disabilities (see annex).

57. Reference is made to the annual report of the High Commissioner on the human rights of indigenous peoples (A/HRC/33/27) (see paras. 23 above and 75 below).

58. In its resolution 24/9, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples for a period of three years on the same terms as provided by the Council in its resolution 15/14. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Victoria Lucia Tauli-Corpuz (A/HRC/33/42 and Add.1-3) (see para. 76 below).

59. Reference is also made to the reports of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (see paras. 72-76 below).

Human rights of older persons

60. In its resolution 24/20, the Human Rights Council decided to establish the mandate of Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons, and requested the Independent Expert to report annually to the Council. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Rosa Kornfeld-Matte (A/HRC/33/44 and Add.1).

Preventable mortality and morbidity of children under 5 years of age as a human rights concern

61. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the implementation of the technical guidance on the application of a human rights-based approach to policies and

programmes to reduce and eliminate preventable mortality and morbidity of children under 5 years of age[3] (A/HRC/33/23) (see para. 21 above).

Preventable maternal mortality and morbidity and human rights

62. Reference is made to the follow-up report of the High Commissioner on how the technical guidance on the application of a human rights-based approach to the implementation of policies and programmes to reduce preventable maternal mortality and morbidity[4] has been applied by States and other relevant actors (A/HRC/33/24) (see para. 22 above).

Protection of the human rights of migrants: strengthening the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants, including in large movements

63. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants in the context of large movements (A/HRC/33/67) (see para. 26 above).

64. Reference is made to the report of the Secretary-General on the human rights of migrants (A/HRC/33/30) (see para. 24 above).

Interrelation of human rights and human rights thematic issues

Human rights education and training

65. In accordance with its resolution 31/21, the Human Rights Council will hold a high-level panel discussion to mark the fifth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training, on the theme "The implementation of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training: good practices and challenges" (see annex).

Human rights and unilateral coercive measures

66. In its resolution 27/21, the Human Rights Council decided to appoint, for a period of three years, a Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights, and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit each year a report to the Council and the General Assembly. In its resolution 30/2, the Council requested the Special Rapporteur to focus on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights of victims and to address the issues of remedies and redress with a view to promoting accountability and reparations in his next reports to the Council and the Assembly. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Idriss Jazairy (A/HRC/33/48 and Add.1).

Promotion of a democratic and equitable international order

67. In its resolution 27/9, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order for a period of three years, in conformity with the terms set forth in Council resolution 18/6, and requested the Independent Expert to report regularly to the Council and the General Assembly. In its resolution 30/29, the Council requested the Independent Expert to submit, at its thirty-third session, a report on the implementation of that resolution. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Alfred de Zayas (A/HRC/33/40).

[3] A/HRC/27/31.
[4] A/HRC/27/20.

Use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination

68. In its resolution 30/6, the Human Rights Council requested the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination to continue to study and identify sources and causes, emerging issues, manifestations and trends regarding mercenaries or mercenary-related activities and their impact on human rights, particularly on the right of peoples to self-determination. The Council also requested the Working Group to report its findings to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session and to the Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the report of the Working Group (A/HRC/33/43 and Add.1-4).

Human rights and preventing and countering violent extremism

69. Reference is made to the report of OHCHR on best practices and lessons learned on how protecting and promoting human rights contribute to preventing and countering violent extremism (A/HRC/33/29) and to the report of OHCHR on the outcome of the panel discussion on the human rights dimensions of preventing and countering violent extremism, held at its thirty-first session (A/HRC/33/28) (see paras. 28 and 29 above).

4. Human rights situations that require the Council's attention

The human rights situation in the Syrian Arab Republic

70. In its resolution 31/17, the Human Rights Council decided to extend for one year the mandate of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic established by the Council in its resolution S-17/1 to investigate all alleged violations of international human rights law since March 2011 in the Syrian Arab Republic, and requested the Commission of Inquiry to present written updated reports during the interactive dialogues at the thirty-third and thirty-fourth sessions of the Council. The Council will consider the report of the Commission of Inquiry (A/HRC/33/55).

5. Human rights bodies and mechanisms

Cooperation with the United Nations, its representatives and mechanisms in the field of human rights

71. Reference is made to the report of the Secretary-General on alleged reprisals, including the recommendations contained therein on how to address the issues of intimidation and reprisals against those who seek to cooperate or have cooperated with the United Nations, its representatives and mechanisms (A/HRC/33/19) (see para. 17 above).

Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

72. In its resolution 6/36, the Human Rights Council decided to establish a subsidiary expert mechanism to provide the Council with thematic expertise on the rights of indigenous peoples in the manner and form requested by the Council. The Council will consider the report of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on its ninth session, held from 11 to 15 July 2016 (A/HRC/33/56).

73. In its resolution 30/4, the Human Rights Council requested the Expert Mechanism to prepare a study on the right to health and indigenous peoples with a focus on children and youth, and to present it at the thirty-third session of the Council. The Council will consider the study of the Expert Mechanism (A/HCR/33/57).

74. In the same resolution, the Council requested the Expert Mechanism to continue to undertake, with the assistance of OHCHR, the questionnaire survey to seek the views of States and indigenous peoples on best practices regarding possible appropriate measures and implementation strategies in order to attain the end goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, with a view to completing a final summary of responses for presentation to the Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the final summary of responses to the questionnaire (A/HRC/33/58).

75. Reference is made to the annual report of the High Commissioner on the human rights of indigenous peoples (A/HRC/33/27) and to the half-day panel discussion on the rights of indigenous peoples (see paras. 23 and 57 above and annex).

76. Reference is also made to the report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples (A/HRC/33/42 and Add.1-3) (see para. 58 above).

Advisory Committee

77. The Advisory Committee held its sixteenth session from 22 to 26 February 2016 and its seventeenth session from 8 to 12 August 2016. In accordance with paragraph 80 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1 and decision 18/121, the Council will consider the annual report of the Advisory Committee, which will consist of the reports of the Committee on those sessions and will be the subject of an interactive dialogue with the Chair of the Committee (A/HRC/33/52).

78. In its resolution 29/12, the Human Rights Council requested the Advisory Committee to develop a research-based study on the global issue of unaccompanied migrant children and adolescents and human rights, in which it would identify areas, reasons and cases where that issue arose in the world and the ways in which human rights were threatened and violated and in which it made recommendations for the protection of the human rights of members of that population. It also requested the Committee to submit the report to the Council at its thirty-third session for its consideration. The Council will have before it the report of the Committee (A/HRC/33/53).

79. In its resolution 27/30, the Council requested the Advisory Committee to prepare a research-based report on the activities of vulture funds and the impact on human rights, and to present a progress report of that research at its thirty-first session for its consideration. The Council will consider the progress report of the Committee (A/HRC/33/54).

Complaint procedure

80. In its resolution 5/1, the Human Rights Council established the complaint procedure as contained in section IV of the annex to that resolution. In paragraph 98 of the annex to resolution 5/1, the Working Group on Situations was requested, on the basis of the information and recommendations provided by the Working Group on Communications, to present the Council with a report on consistent patterns of gross and reliably attested violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms and to make recommendations to the Council on the course of action to be taken.

81. At its thirty-third session, the Council will consider the report of the Working Group on Situations on its seventeenth and eighteenth sessions, held in closed meetings from 25 to 28 January 2016 and from 4 to 8 July 2016.

Special procedures

82. The Human Rights Council will have before it the communications report of special procedures (A/HRC/33/32).

Open-ended intergovernmental working group on a draft United Nations declaration on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas

83. In its resolution 30/13, the Human Rights Council requested the open-ended intergovernmental working group with the mandate of negotiating, finalizing and submitting to the Council a draft United Nations declaration on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas to submit to the Council an annual report on progress made. The Council will consider the report of the working group (A/HRC/33/59).

Open-ended intergovernmental working group on a draft United Nations declaration on the right to peace

84. In its resolution 20/15, the Human Rights Council decided to establish an open-ended intergovernmental working group with the mandate of progressively negotiating a draft United Nations declaration on the right to peace. The Council will have before it a note by the Secretariat on this matter (A/HRC/33/60).

6. Universal periodic review

85. In its resolution 5/1, the Human Rights Council established the universal periodic review mechanism as contained in section I of the annex to that resolution. The Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review held its twenty-fifth session from 2 to 13 May 2015. At its thirty-third session, the Council will consider and adopt the final outcomes of the review of Suriname (A/HRC/33/4), Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (A/HRC/33/5), Samoa (A/HRC/33/6), Greece (A/HRC/33/7), the Sudan (A/HRC/33/8), Hungary (A/HRC/33/9), Papua New Guinea (A/HRC/33/10), Tajikistan (A/HRC/33/11), the United Republic of Tanzania (A/HRC/33/12), Antigua and Barbuda (A/HRC/33/13), Swaziland (A/HRC/33/14), Trinidad and Tobago (A/HRC/33/15), Thailand (A/HRC/33/16) and Ireland (A/HRC/33/17).

86. Pursuant to the Human Rights Council President's statement 9/2 on modalities and practices for the universal periodic review process, the outcomes of the review are adopted by the Council at its plenary session by a standardized decision. The outcomes comprise the report of the Working Group, the views of the State under review concerning the recommendations and/or conclusions, and the voluntary commitments made and replies presented by the State under review, before the adoption of the outcome by the plenary, to questions or issues that were not sufficiently addressed during the interactive dialogue in the Working Group.

7. Human rights situation in Palestine and other occupied Arab territories

87. There are no reports to be submitted under agenda item 7.

8. Follow-up to and implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Integrating the human rights of women throughout the United Nations system

88. In accordance with its resolution 6/30, the Human Rights Council will hold an annual discussion on the integration of a gender perspective throughout its work and that of its mechanisms (see annex).

National institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights

89. Reference is made to the report of the Secretary General on the implementation of Council resolution 27/18 (A/HCR/33/33) (see para. 31 above).

90. Reference is also made to the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions in accrediting national institutions in compliance with the Paris Principles (A/HRC/33/34 and Add.1) (see para. 32 above).

9. Racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related forms of intolerance, follow-up to and implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent

91. In its resolution 27/25, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent for a further period of three years, in accordance with the terms of reference contained in Council resolution 9/14, and requested the Working Group to submit an annual report to the Council, as well as to the General Assembly in the context of the International Decade for People of African Descent. The Council will consider the report of the Working Group on its seventeenth session, held from 23 to 27 November 2015, and on its eighteenth session, held from 11 to15 April 2016 (A/HRC/33/61 and Add.1-2).

10. Technical assistance and capacity-building

Advisory services and technical assistance to Cambodia

92. In its resolution 30/23, the Human Rights Council decided to extend by two years the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cambodia, and requested the Special Rapporteur to report on the implementation of her mandate to the Council at its thirty-third and thirty-sixth sessions. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Rhona Smith (A/HRC/33/62).

93. Reference is made to the report of the Secretary-General on the role and achievements of OHCHR in assisting the Government and the people of Cambodia in the promotion and protection of human rights (A/HRC/33/39) (see para. 34 above).

Technical assistance and capacity-building for Yemen in the field of human rights

94. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the implementation of Human Rights Council resolution 30/18 (A/HRC/33/38) (see para. 35 above).

Technical assistance and capacity-building for human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

95. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the human rights situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/HRC/33/36) (see para. 36 above).

National policies and human rights

96. Reference is made to the note by the Secretariat on the expert workshop to discuss effective, inclusive and participatory mechanisms and methodologies to mainstream human rights in the formulation and implementation of public policies (A/HRC/33/35) (see also para. 37 above).

Technical assistance and capacity-building to improve human rights in Libya

97. Reference is made to the oral update of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in Libya (see para. 38 above).

Preventing the deterioration of the human rights situation in Burundi

98. Reference is made to the oral update of the High Commissioner on the implementation of Human Rights Council resolution 30/27 (see para. 40 above).

99. Reference is also made to the final report of the mission of independent existing experts to Burundi (A/HRC/33/37) (see para. 41 above).

Technical assistance and capacity-building in the field of human rights in the Central African Republic

100. In its resolution 30/19, the Human Rights Council decided to renew, for one year, the mandate of the Independent Expert to assess, to monitor and to report on the situation of human rights in the Central African Republic with a view to making recommendations related to technical assistance and capacity-building in the field of human rights. It also requested the Independent Expert to submit a written report to the Council on technical assistance and capacity-building in the field of human rights in the Central African Republic. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Marie-Thérèse Keita Bocoum (A/HRC/33/63).

Assistance to Somalia in the field of human rights

101. In its resolution 30/20, the Human Rights Council decided to renew the mandate of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia, for a period of one year, and requested the Independent Expert to report to the Council at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Bahame Nyanduga (A/HRC/33/64).

Technical assistance and capacity-building to improve human rights in the Sudan

102. In its resolution 30/22, the Human Rights Council decided to renew the mandate of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan, for a period of one year, to continue the engagement of the mandate holder with the Government to assess, verify and report on the situation of human rights with a view to making recommendations on technical assistance and capacity-building for addressing human rights in the country. In the same resolution, the Council requested the Independent Expert to present a report to it at its thirty-third session. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Aristide Nononsi (A/HRC/33/65).

Cooperation and assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights

103. Reference is made to the oral presentation of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in Ukraine (see para. 39 above).

Annex

Panels and discussions to be held at the thirty-third session of the Human Rights Council

Resolution / decision	*Panel / discussion*
31/21 Human rights education and training	High-level panel discussion on the fifth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training
32/1 Youth and human rights	Panel discussion on youth and human rights
6/30 Integrating the human rights of women throughout the United Nations system	Annual discussion on the integration of a gender perspective throughout the work of the Human Rights Council and that of its mechanisms
18/8 and 30/4 Human rights and indigenous peoples	Annual half-day discussion on the human rights of indigenous peoples, with a focus on the causes and consequences of violence against indigenous women and girls, including those with disabilities